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Woman's Inconsistency.

Brought not again that tender air,
To other strays strange our strings;
It once could charm us from despair,
But now it's all it brings.

It results a pang so keen
Of holding joy, of prove blighted;
Tells us of love that now hath been,
Deserted by her who was slighted.

With smiles not very honest yet,
With prudishness my forehead shaded;
Her smile were false, my hopes are dead;
And every flower of her hath faded.

These same beams delight me still,
As from the fragrant forest lie leaves,
Selects the fairest flower like me,
Yet shrivels not the smile it covers.

For hope failed gained seems so bright,
Without one single drop of sorrow;
But the two eyes are closed tonight—
A night, alas! without a sorrow.

Still in my heart the burden lies;
Still, still, her memory I treasure,
Again you'll hear me sing—
Brought her her flowers with her bouquet.

Like she she played, like she sang;
Her eyes like yours would glister;
I stood here and gazed serenely—
I left her, but, and yet I return.

Then play me some—no more than sing—
Let higher words might be spoken;
And you're welcome back again—
Upon a heart already broken.

Music of the Bitterness.

He waited for his sister's voice—
And dressed upon his plate;
A solo with his plaintive note,
And then did she plaint.

"Och, come up with me, mother,
I think I could make you weep;
It should be a mother's duty
To teach her child to weep."

He took his chair, he took his note,
And then he learned a single note;
Another did I tell him—
A single, and another still;

In this, when he learned,
This lesson never did he lost;
A single note at the last.

Beautiful Snow.

Part sell the flakes from the ground,
As he turned into view—
"Oh, this is the season," "Oh, this is—
With your birthday, too."

Part cover'd up the snow,
He turned up and softly died—
Struck with a single cold spell.

If perished in the cold of snow,
The well-cared-for child,

Shall support a single cold spell.

While the world is in a snow.

RECOLLECTIONS.

The weekly prayer meetings at the Methodist church here have been changed from Thursday to Wednesday nights.

The revival that has been in progress for four weeks at the Christian church in Paris, closed last week with 65 conversions.

A revival is in progress at the Presbyterian church in Nicholasville, and a number have already sought shelter from the wrath to come.

About 100 souls have signed their intention of living hereafter for Christ, at the protracted revival progressing at the Methodist church in Lexington.

The pastor of one of the colored Baptist churches in Baltimore, on a recent Sunday, baptised 113 candidates for membership. This congregation now numbers 1,000 communicants.

The African First Baptist Church in Richmond, Va., is the largest Baptist Church in America, and, except Springfield, it is the largest Baptist church in the world. It has 3,755 members.

The Southern Methodist Publishing House, hitherto reported as being in financial peril, has an assets \$575,842, and in liabilities \$315,851. But the house calls for a gift of \$250,000 to its relief from coming bankruptcy.

Elder J. A. Kirkpatrick has united with the Central Christian Church, Cincinnati. He has been for some seventeen years an acceptable preacher among the Baptists, successful in his ministry, and extensively known in Ohio and Pennsylvania as a faithful and able minister. [Christian Standard.]

The Northern Christian Advocate reports the number received into the Chicago churches since the beginning of the Moody meetings—Baptist, 300; Congregational, 300; Methodist, 700; Presbyterian, 750; Reformed Episcopal, 300, besides others not enumerated received into the Welsh and German churches.

The STANFORD CHURCHES.—Rev. Mr. Deering, of Danville, by an exchange of pulpits with Mr. Peleg, preached at the Methodist church here twice on Sunday, and although suffering severely with an affection of the throat, rendering him unable to do himself justice, he handled his subjects with power, and greatly pleased his large audience. We cannot condone this brief notice without a compliment to the excellent choir. They always do well, but this time they excelled even their best attempt. Rev. J. M. Bruce, at the Baptist church, and Rev. S. S. McElroy, at the Presbyterian church, both had good congregations. The usual church services were held at the Christian church, but the meeting was dismissed earlier than usual, to allow those present to attend the burial of Mrs. McElroy.

A Very Bad Judge.—The man who tries his friends.

LETTER FROM GARRARD.

Buckeye.
FEBRUARY 23, 1877.

Here I am back again—by special invitation, with many thanks for the courteous welcome extended me by the Editor of the Journal.

What a "misty, misty morning" this is! Inexpressibly chill, and dreary too, after the sunny South wind of yesterday. Despite the glorious weather we have had for the past few weeks, and the solemn assumption of an honest old farmer, that "winter is clean gone," I cannot but think that the grand old King will yet return clad in all the pomp and circumstance of royalty, and make us shiver and shiver 'neath his icy rule. We can have the blessed consolation though, of feeling that he will know when his "time is out," and can rejoice, in the sweet assurance, that, then will have to be no "Returning Board" or fifteen Commissioners to decide whether or not, Fairly-footed Spring shall assume her rightful reign at the proper moments.

It is a busy time in the country just now. At the close of each day's work, the immortal "ploughman homeward plods his weary way," and Gray's Elegy, to the contrary, I never could derive the least bit of inspiration from the sight.

It is cruel in the Blue Grass Gipper to talk about the prospective little minnows when a party by the name of Fish gets married.

The Frankfort Courier says that \$1,000 reward is offered for the murderer of Martin V. Smith, \$500 by the government, \$500 by the South family.

Sheriff Yocom, of Mt. Sterling, since the various attempts of assassins on his life, has at the suggestion of friends, left the country for parts unknown.

The Harris boys, we learn from the Richmond Register, who were in the shooting difficulty sometime ago at the party near Berea, have surrendered to the Sheriff.

Off all dandies, ya' 20 qualls enter Is the biggest, yet men still bankers after no notice in that line. The Georgetown Times gives the latest achievement of the fat—keep every thing done up to "Brown." Don't they chortle, plowful? And where-as it was midday, quite a number of persons had collected, come to look at "the news," and others to wait the distribution of the mail, hoping for tidings of their loved ones. A pretty young girl, who stood by in the office, easily watching for a letter, naively inquired—

"Surely, there must be something for me?"

And when she said her sharp question, such a shade of sadness swept over her fair face, that it was gay to tangy delirious force somewhere in the distance. I had half a mind to tell her to try her fortune with mystic, and see if he really lived here.

The very mention of infidelity brings to mind the funniest little incident that occurred not a hundred miles from here, a short time ago, which, though it's truly tragic, almost gives place in my letter. A young lady from the city had gone to visit some friends in the country, and went morning to take a horse-back ride. Having an attendant carrier, and no "respectable graces to sit at a respectful distance in the rear," she took as a body guard, a little negro girl who rode behind. Keenly alive to all the beauties of nature, the lady's attention was soon attracted by the rich blossoms of the mimosa bush, the leafless tree on the roadside. Seeing some at last, but enough to be within reach, she persuaded her small friend in alarm, and the two respectables to sit at a respectful distance in the rear, she took as a body guard, a little negro girl who rode behind. 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